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In re the Application of: SAKATA, Makoto, et al.

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For. **METHOD OF MODIFYING GUM ARABIC, MODIFIED GUM ARABIC
OBTAINED BY THE METHOD, AND USE THEREOF**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: January 10, 2008

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2007 for one month, from December 24, 2007 to January 24, 2008.

Please charge our Deposit Account in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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